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The rising junior wins the prestigious tournament by four strokes.  
Men's Golf

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**ATHENS, Ga.** – Georgia Southern's [Brett Barron](#) shot 68-69-66-68 (-9) to win the 97th playing of the Georgia State Amateur Championship at Athens Country Club.

Barron posted six birdies en route to Saturday's 66 and a three-stroke lead heading into Sunday's final round. He pushed the lead to five strokes at the turn Sunday and kept his card clean with two birdies on his way to a 68 and the four-stroke win. Barron logged 12 birdies in the first three rounds to go along with his two Sunday.

"I missed the fairway the first three days on the first hole," Barron told the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* after the round. "Today, I hit it right down the middle, hit 8-iron on the green and two-putted. After that, I was pretty relaxed."

The Georgia Amateur Championship began in 1916, when 14-year-old Bobby Jones captured the inaugural title. The championship is open to male amateur golfers who are GSGA members and are residents of Georgia. This year's field featured 144 competitors, including six past Georgia Amateur Championship winners.

Georgia Southern finished second in the Sun Belt Championship and returns seven lettermen, including Barron, to the 2018-19 team.

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